

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Katsunobu Sumimura, et al.  
Serial No.: 10/782,008  
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For: METHOD OF REMOVING NITRATE  
NITROGEN FROM VEGETABLE JUICE  
Group Art Unit: 1761  
Examiner: S. N. Leff  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT "C" (RESUBMITTED)**

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated October 16, 2007 in the above-reference application, applicant hereby resubmits corrected Preliminary Amendment "C" in response to the Final Office Action dated June 1, 2007 and the Advisory Action dated August 9, 2007. This is to accompany the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed earlier pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1,114, together with a fee for said RCE and also a petition for extension of time to extend the time to respond to said Final Office Action by one month to October 1, 2007 as well as an extension fee therefor. The instant RESUBMITTED PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT is being filed as the "submission" related to said RCE in which the application is amended as follows: